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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

TO: The Honorable Frank O'Bannon
The Legislative Council of the General Assembly, and
The Citizens of the State of Indiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the State of Indiana as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the State of Indiana's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of certain component units of the State, as discussed in Note I(A), which statements reflect total assets and revenues of \$5,421.4 million and \$1,047.8 million, respectively, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000. The financial statements of these component units were audited by other auditors whose reports thereon have been furnished to us and our opinion, insofar as it relates to those units, is based solely upon the reports of the other auditors. The reports represent 20.7% of special revenue fund assets, 100% of debt service fund assets, 1.5% of capital projects fund assets, 94.5% of enterprise fund assets, 88.8% of internal service fund assets and 100% of proprietary and governmental discretely presented component unit assets.

We conducted our audit in accordance with general accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the State of Indiana as of June 30, 2000, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note III (I) to the financial statements, the State of Indiana has restated certain beginning fund balances and retained earnings. The Housing Finance Authority, a discretely presented component unit, reports on a December 31, 1999 year end.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the State of Indiana. The combining and individual fund financial statements, account groups and schedules as listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. This information, and not the information in the Introductory and Statistical sections, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements of each of the fund types and account groups included in the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. We express no opinion on the information in the Introductory or Statistical Sections.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated December 20, 2000, on our consideration of the State of Indiana's internal control over financial reporting and our test of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

December 20, 2000

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